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WANTED: Chancellor

Brandon Stookey

Chronicle Correspondent

Purdue President France Córdova initiated the search for someone to fill the shoes of PUC Chancellor Howard Cohen, who is stepping down after the spring 2011 semester. Through collaboration with PUC representatives, Córdova appointed a search advisory committee on Oct. 20 to be in charge of the operation.

Córdova wishes for the search advisory committee to have a group of qualified candidates ready by Feb. 7. From this group, Córdova will appoint a new candidate to be approved by the Board of Trustees, who will then assume the role of chancellor no later than July 1.

Thomas Roach is an associate professor at PUC, chair on the faculty senate and member of the new search advisory committee. Roach said Cohen was instrumental in putting him in contact with the president's office, and this helped Roach to negotiate a search committee that would consist largely of members from PUC.

"My objective was to have this campus well-represented," Roach said.

Cohen said he did encourage the president's office to work



Chronicle illustration by Adrian Ramirez

with the PUC's faculty senate to identify members who would serve on the search committee.

"I am confident that through the existing process, the search committee will find excellent candidates to recommend to the president," Cohen said.

Córdova and Cohen agree that as the present chancellor, Cohen should not participate in the search for a new chancellor.

Rabindra Mukerjea, the Purdue executive director of strategic planning and assessment, will oversee the

progress of the search advisory committee on behalf of the president.

"It's an excellent committee and they are very enthusiastic," Mukerjea said.

Initially, there was supposed to be two search committees. Roach's job was to recommend nominees for the search advisory committee, and the search advisory committee's job was to advise the actual search committee.

However, Roach said he and Mukerjea agreed there should only be one search committee. Roach said although it still has "advisory" as part of its name, it is the only search committee and it will be in charge of selecting qualified candidates for the president.

The search advisory committee consists of 18 members. Mukerjea explained the committee represents PUC's faculty, administrators, staff, alumni, community members and the student body. Also represented are the Purdue University System's Senior Leadership and the Board of Trustees.

"We all take this responsibility seriously," John Rowan, interim dean of liberal arts and social sciences and

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Veterans Day: A day to remember

Carl Kurek
News Editor

Every year, Nov. 11 is a date set aside to honor military personnel who voluntarily risked their lives to serve and protect the citizens of the United States. With America still fighting two wars, many people know someone who has served on at least one of these battlefields.

PUC and other college campuses are filling up with these veterans, who often go unnoticed even on the day meant to commemorate their service. There are currently about 180 military veterans who walk the halls and sit in the classrooms at PUC, according to the Office of Financial Aid and Student Accounts.

With Veterans Day on Thursday, it is important to keep in mind these men and women are not just fellow students, they are veterans.

In October of 2009, National Public Radio reported some 100,000 veterans were expected to enroll in college in the upcoming school year. Discussion about the struggles these soldiers face when making the transition to college often accompanies knowledge of these numbers.

Cpl. Eric Garner, a Marine who deployed on three tours of duty, is now in his first semester at PUC as he pursues a degree in physics.

Garner served in Iraq from August of 2007 until March of 2008, and then returned to Iraq in February of 2009 until July of the same year. Only two months after returning from his second tour of duty, Garner volunteered to return with his unit to Afghanistan, where he would serve from October of 2009 through May of 2010.

"Most people think it's horrible, and it is in a lot of ways," Garner said. "But it enlightens you too, shows you what the world is really like."

Garner, who turns 23 this month, said every one of the Marines who decided to return to action knew what the risk was. But to them, there were people who needed help and their job as Marines, was to help those people.

"It's all about helping people," Garner explained. "People say 'you're just killing people' but we're not, we're fighting for the people who can't fight for themselves. They had an enemy, who in turn became our enemy, and they needed us to fight."

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Hospitality & Tourism Management Club puts on the PUR Water Project

Andrea Drac
Staff Writer

Everyday, more than 4,000 children die due to not having clean water to drink and millions of children die each year from diseases due to unsafe drinking water in the developing world, according to the PUR Water Web site.

On the week of Nov. 8, PUC's Hospitality and Tourism Management Club will host the PUR Water Project until Nov. 12.

"The PUR Water Project provides humanitarian aid in the form of a simple clean water system to children in need around the world," HTM Program Coordinator GERALYN FARLEY said.

The clean water system is called a PUR packet, which will be the center of attention during the event. According to the Children's Safe Drinking Water (CSDW) Web site, it is a powdered mixture that removes pathogenic microorganisms and suspended matter, making previously contaminated water clean.

"[The club] will have a table in SUL where they and their classmates will demonstrate the PUR water packets' use," Farley said. "They will have samples of unclean water and how the simple, inexpensive filtration packet cleans the water so it is suitable for drinking."

Farley said wristbands will be given to those who donate to the project and the money raised will go to the Children's Safe Drinking Water program, the program distributing the PUR Water packets.

Farley said this is the first time PUC has held such an event. Several students began the thoughts and plans for this project, but she said the seed was planted by HTM Club President Dominique Bartee and Vice-President Jacklyn Heldt in their HTM 10000 Class.

"The students prepare a career portfolio, which includes a community service component," Farley said. "Together with their classmates, [Bartee and Heldt] researched the PUR Water Project and organized the event."

Community service is a task not lost on HTM students. Farley said HTM students are exposed to various community service projects within the curriculum. The first experience comes in the introductory HTM course where students create their career portfolio and listen to guest speakers discuss service projects. The students participate in community service projects again in HTM 29100.

"In HTM 49200 Advanced Quantity Foods, students are

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The PUR packet: what it does and what it fixes

- The PUR packet is a powdered mixture that removes pathogenic microorganisms and suspended matter, making previously contaminated water clean.
- PUR packets have been proven to eliminate disease causing microorganisms.
- PUR packets result in removal of more than 99.99999 percent of intestinal bacteria (including those that cause cholera), 99.99 percent of intestinal viruses (including those that cause hepatitis A) and 99.9 percent of protozoa.
- PUR packets have been proven to reduce diarrheal disease incidence in the developing world by up to 90 percent.
- PUR packets remove dirt and other pollutants.
- PUR packets can be used to make clean drinking water for the entire family, including infants, and are considered an effective technology by the World Health Organization.

Source: http://www.csdw.org/csdw/pur_packet.shtml

ADMINISTRATIVE update

What's at stake when you download music & other media illegally?

Can't wait to download that new song you heard the other day?
How about that TV program you missed last week?

Well, go ahead and do it, but be sure that you are doing it legally! Copyright is the protection of the original expression of an idea. Infringement is the act of violating the exclusive rights of a copyright owner.

If you download media from an illegal site, you do so without the consent of the copyright owner. As a result, the owner fails to receive rightful compensation.

Dangers of illegal downloading

Illegal downloading, uploading or sharing of media is becoming such a huge problem that the entertainment industry has hired full time people to monitor this activity and attempt to stop it.

Peer-to-peer networks often are used illegally to share music, videos and images. There are many dangers of illegal peer-to-peer software:

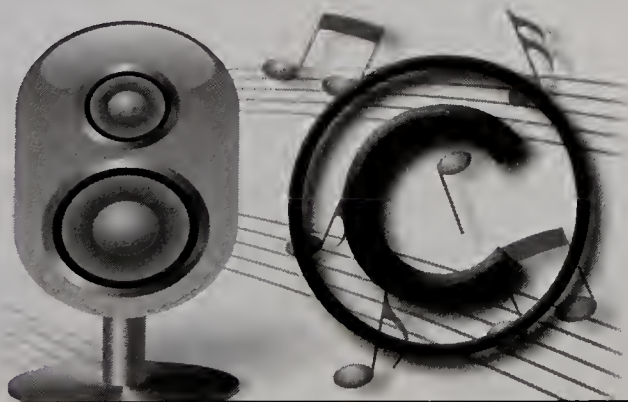
- **Personal dangers:** compromising your computer by making it vulnerable to viruses and spam, as well as making it more susceptible to identity theft.
- **Legal dangers:** risking lawsuits and criminal prosecution under federal law and the possibility of fines ranging from \$200 to \$150,000.
- **Disciplinary dangers:** violating Purdue University Calumet's Code of Student Conduct.

Consequences of illegal downloading

Here's how students who download media illegally using the Purdue Calumet network place themselves at risk:

1. University network administrators are contacted by outside sources—The Recording Industry Association of America or Fox, for example—of a copyright infringement.
2. A university network administrator then disables the student's access to the Purdue Calumet Network. Because copyright infringement is a direct violation of Section B-2a of the university's **Regulations Governing Student Conduct**, the information is forwarded to the Dean of Students Office.
3. The Dean of Students Office then contacts the involved student to schedule a Disciplinary Hearing with a Student Conduct Administrator.
4. If found responsible, the student is asked to sign a contract stating that he/she will remove the infringed material and discontinue all infringing activity.
5. The student's access will be re-enabled only after he/she has met with a Student Conduct Administrator. Second offenses can result in more stringent sanctions, not only by the university, but by the party reporting the infringement.

For more information regarding copyright infringement, including a listing of legal websites from which to download music, TV programs and movies, go to www.campusdownloading.com.



What's Going On? A look around PUC...

Career Fairs and Special Events-

Academic Roundtable – Meet the Firms Night: Accounting and Finance
Thurs., Nov. 18th, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m., Alumni Hall (Participating companies: TBA)

Career Services @ Your Service Days-

General Career Information

Wed., Nov. 10th, 3 p.m. - 7 p.m., Academic Learning Center (ALC), Crown Point, IN
School of LASS, Department of History and Political Science

Thur., Nov. 18th, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m., SUL Concourse

Career Webinar Series: Graduating Seniors-

Linkedin - Your Way to a New Job & Strong Network

Wed., Nov. 10th, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m., GYTE 113

Building Brand U: Personal Branding for Career Success

Wed., Nov. 17th, 2 p.m. - 3 p.m., GYTE 113

Informal Recruiting-

Vector Marketing:

Mon., Nov. 8th, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., SUL Concourse

Resume/Cover Letter Review Sessions-

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. or 2 p.m., SUL 349

Wednesdays, NOON or 6 p.m., SUL 349

Thursdays, 9 a.m. or 4 p.m., SUL 349

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CORRECTIONS

In last week's issue, the story "Glee gets 'Rock' with 'Horror'" was mistakenly credited to Kali Porzel. It should have instead been credited to SungMin Lim. The Chronicle regrets this error.

In last week's issue, the photos that went with the story titled "Student Bible study groups on rise at PUC" were mistakenly credited to Morgan Walker. They should have instead been credited to Jabez Anderson. The Chronicle regrets this error.

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Buncha' savages in this town



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A man stared at my friends and me, his mouth agape. He wasn't gawking at our pseudo-hipster status, despite what some may have thought. Rather, he was searching desperately for guidance to the sight the entire block just witnessed – a homeless man beat into a concussion. As if this was some baffling philosophical debate or we were playing charades.

Half a block down we all heard the sickening crack as some random passerby yelled at and assaulted this homeless man, punching him not once, but twice, sending his head hurtling into the stairs of the Art Institute of Chicago.

And here was this random witness, a grown adult, looking to a bunch of kids for guidance. Like we were in a play and he forgot his line. The attacker was gone; having walked away long before the homeless man even hit the stairs. Yet here was Witness Guy, acting like a potentially dead homeless man is a freakin' bomb defusal.

Though I have to give him credit – the rest of the large crowd chose to ignore it even happened, despite all of us hearing the brain-rattling CRACK from a mile away.

So somehow, my friend and I, college kids whose morning rituals consist of watching cartoons, eating cereal and going to YouTube to see a video of the keyboard playing cat for the hundredth time, were the only ones who thought to call 9-1-1.

Let me make something perfectly clear – people like this homeless man, or anybody else for that matter – are not zombies. A zombie outbreak did NOT occur in Chicago, at least to my knowledge. This man or any other victims such as him are living, breathing people. They might shamble by you like the walking dead, and you may have no idea who they are, but when they reach their destination at the end of the day, they have families. They have loved ones. They have friends. To leave any of them rotting in a gutter dead, for all you know, is beyond terrible. You should be ashamed of yourselves.

And really, how long does it honestly take to give 9-1-1 a call? It took less than 15 minutes between my friend George dialing 9-1-1 and us checking on the homeless man for paramedics, police and firemen to arrive on the scene to make sure he was okay, and that's in the busy streets of Chicago.

This was at 10 p.m. at night, mind you. Where did any of these people have to be? I'm sorry Starbucks closes at 11 p.m., but tell that to the guy you left for dead.

I hope the next time I walk by the injured you all don't react so pathetically.



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The Chancellor recipe

Topic: PUC chancellor search is on

Stance: These are a few of our favorite things:

Soon, Howard Cohen will turn the lights off for the last time in his office on the third floor of the Lawshe building. Soon after, his possessions move from Kuiper House, and he will settle into the life of a non-tenured professor of philosophy. He will have to either enjoy or suffer the changes he made as the leader of our regional campus.

While his life moves on, the campus will be struggling under the leadership of his successor. Even now, the national search has begun.

Our campus needs a chancellor who will continue to have a great love and patronage for the arts. We are known for our nursing and engineering programs, but the hidden strength of Language Arts and Social Sciences is growing. A new chancellor would need to help bolster these programs in order to give the campus a variety of attractive academic programs.

It would be good if he or she would continue the campus vision to increase the focus on sports, in the hopes PUC would one day soon enter the NCAA. Along this line, it would be good for the campus to continue to grow, with new buildings and greater specialization, so more classes could be accommodated throughout the week, instead of being pushed to Friday. Continuing to expand the dormitory and helping to break the campus from the mold of a commuter school would also be extremely beneficial.

One of the most important things the future leader needs to have is the ability or wish to listen to the student body more, on such issues as Chartwell's, the parking situation, or the smoking ban. There are countless other issues the students express a wish to improve, and ultimately, they are the ones who write the chancellor's and professors' paychecks.

The community also needs a leader who you know, for better or worse, what side of any issue he stands on, instead of wading on the shores of self-enforcement and other gray areas. Not everyone has to like him or her, but the issue should be black-and-white—for example, either anyone can smoke on campus, or the police should be able to issue them tickets for smoking where they should not.

Since the administration has placed such an emphasis on experiential learning, it would also be nice for the next regime to improve upon it, especially for majors who are not hands-on, namely those in LASS.

Ultimately, PUC needs a chancellor who can build upon the successes of Cohen and can fill in on his weaknesses and failings. Cohen did a good job of moving us in the right direction. Now it is just a matter of keeping up our momentum through cutbacks and leadership transitions.

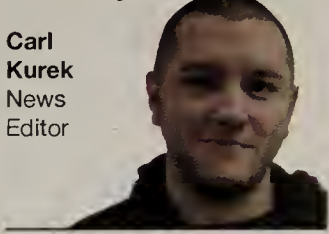
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Here come the holidays, crowds



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Halloween came, and Halloween went.

What followed – besides snow – were the inevitable Christmas decorations and other Christmas “stuff” that always seem to pop up in stores earlier and earlier each year. Don't get me wrong, I enjoy the holidays, but I hate the crowds of people that you can't avoid at the mall and the crazy behavior and traffic that comes with them.

I hate going shopping no matter what time of the year it is anyway, and my girlfriend would testify to this. Whereas most guys complain about being dragged to the stores, my better half actually stopped asking me to come so I would stop ruining her time – by the way happy early anniversary, sweetheart.

The reason I hate shopping though is the annoying, rude and phony people that seem to flock to commercial outlets such as the mall every spare moment of their lives. I do not go to the mall often, literally maybe three or four times a year, but it seems like it gets worse each time.

Are there really people who get all jazzed up just to go to the mall and walk around? Do they really have to be loud and take up whole isles and bump into everyone?

I mean, I have to get my Christmas shopping done and it cannot all be done online – I have tried – but I truly cannot stand the groups of people who just walk in circles around the mall being loud and obnoxious. You may be saying, “what do you expect from high school kids,” but the sad thing is you cannot say this behavior only comes from high school kids.

However, you can say this behavior comes from individuals who act like high school students, or – to be fair since not all high school students act like idiots – at least those kinds of high school students.

But a lot of people are idiots, and by idiots I mean annoying and obnoxious people who constantly seek attention and want only to take on some kind of role that promotes an image they think makes them cool.

It is always relieving to see the face of another individual who is reacting to these individual's obnoxious behavior in the same way I am. But I dread the fact that I am going to have to go to the mall and do some Christmas shopping soon.

Just passing the mall and seeing the jam-packed and hectic parking lot sends a chill down my spine...just thinking about what the crowds are like on the inside. I am all for freedom to express yourself, but I would also like to be able to get my shopping done in peace.

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Land of misfit items

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Missing something? The University Police's Lost and Found should be the first place to look, but instead recovered items often go unclaimed, leaving the lost and found looking like the Land of Misfit Toys.

Sherry Velasquez, a clerk at the University Police Station, has been in charge of the university's lost and found for about a year and a half, and said there is everything from Magic cards and Bibles, to bicycles and license plates waiting to be claimed.

"The problem is that people do not come to claim their items," Velasquez said.

Things like keys and cell phones have been sitting in the lost and found for years. Velasquez believes this is because people either do not know PUC has a lost and found, or they just do not come to check.

Recently, Velasquez has used PUC e-mails to inform students about the lost and found or to notify them their missing item has been recovered. She also sends out a monthly e-mail to all students concerning the missing items.

The student will have to prove the item is in fact theirs and then sign off on it in order to retrieve an item. Most of the items in the lost and found are flash drives. For anyone who wants to recover a flash drive you must be

able to describe the color and any files on it.

There are also a large amount of books in the lost and found that often remain unclaimed. Most things do stay in the lost and found for a while, but clothing is only there for three months before it is donated to a charity. Items like glasses and cell phones stay in the lost and found for two years or more before they are donated.

Velasquez updates the Web site every week to keep up with everything that shows up found. The lost and found is located in the University Police building on 169th Street, across from the parking garage.

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involved in two community service projects. They volunteer as catering service staff at Hammond Reads, and they also work with the local Chef's Association to present the Meals on Wheels Gala," Farley said.

The HTM Club members and officers are the ones who will decide if the PUR Water Project will become an ongoing global community service project since their love for community service drew them to it in the first place.

"Basic needs of food and water is very close to the hearts of Hospitality majors," Farley added. "This was a natural fit for a global community service project."

The Facts about Unclean Drinking Water

- More than one billion people do not have access to safe water.
- Diarrhea caused by drinking contaminated water remains a leading cause of illness and death among infants and children in the developing world.
- About 1.8 million children die every year due to diarrheal diseases.
- More children die from diarrheal illnesses like cholera and dysentery than from HIV/AIDS or malaria combined.
- P&G has collaborated with the Center for Disease Control (CDC) since 1995 to develop safe drinking water systems that people can easily use in their homes.

POLICE BLOTTER

10.30.10 - P-9 - 9:00 p.m.

Student found scratches on rear fender of her parked vehicle.

Open

10.29.10 - SUL - 10:14 p.m.

Call of an intoxicated subject inside SUL. PUCPD responded and subject placed under arrest for Public Intoxication.

Arrest

10.28.10 - Powers - 2 p.m.

Student claims someone took her phone from her purse while she was printing materials.

Open

10.27.10 - Off - 11:00 a.m.

Request was made for a female officer to conduct a search incident to the arrest of two females by Hammond Police.

Closed

10.26.10 - Pow - 8:49 p.m.

Smell of smoke in the Powers Building. Hammond Fire Department was called and they checked for a possible fire but found none.

Closed

10.24.10 - Off - 1:15 a.m.

PUC Officer responded to back up Hammond PD units on a fight in progress.

Closed

9.22.10 - Gyte - 6 a.m.

Two computers missing from Gyte 106.

Closed

CAMPUS SAFETY TIP:

Should you ever see something occurring on campus that seems suspicious, you can report it anonymously by:

- Phoning the Purdue Calumet Anonymous Hot Line at 219-989-2912
- Contacting online Silent Witness at www.webs.calumet.purdue.edu/police/silentwitness

Student Health Services Center

Purdue Student Health Services Center is an "ON" campus medical clinic. We offer low cost health care for all STUDENTS. Office visits are \$20.00 (which will be billed to your student account, so no money is needed at the time of your visit), with follow-up visits at no cost. We have

a laboratory onsite with many tests offered at little or no cost to you. We offer assistance in filing for the HIP-"Healthy Indiana Insurance Plan" as well as patient assistance for free medications and the Gardasil vaccine if you are income eligible. Flu shots are still available for \$18.00.

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PUC's big sell

Kali Porezel
Chronicle Correspondent

With so many businesses up and running, sometimes it can seem overwhelming for an up-and-coming entrepreneur to get their own ideas and business out there. It can be difficult in such an environment to be successful, especially with Walmart and Sam's Club around.

However, there is a competition that hopes to improve the odds. The Big Sell competition, sponsored by businesses such as Palo Alto Software and Hammond Development Corporation, is meant to give participants a leg up in the world of business.

"The competition allows people who have ideas for innovative products to come out and have their ideas critiqued by experienced professionals," Peter Shakula said. Shakula is an intellectual property lawyer at Wood Phillips, a law firm operating out of Chicago sponsoring the Big Sell competition in hopes of improving the economy and bolstering new businesses.

Prior to the competition, a panel will choose 50 of the best ideas to take part in the actual event. From there, participants will try to sell their ideas to the audience, who will be judging them for the first round, according to Dushan Nikolovski, director of the Center for Entrepreneurship Success at PUC. From the votes gathered, 10 will move on to the next round.

It is at this point both official judges and the audience will choose the final three winners, after the ideas are once again explained and the how's, when's and what's of their new, innovative ideas are pitched. They must show how, with the proper resources, their business could grow and thrive.

There are three prizes, each of which gives varying amounts of aid to get the winner's idea on the road to creation. Some of the prizes are in cash, while legal services, accounting services and marketing services also make up each of the prizes. PUC has offered a year of guidance via the Center of Entrepreneurship Success for each winner.

Even though there are only three finalists, all participants are winners in this competition.

"Participants may learn valuable insights on how to improve their idea or business plan, even if they do not win the competition," Shakula said.

Signing up for the event is a simple matter of visiting www.thebigsell.org and filling out the online form available. It asks for information such as name and address of all team members, along with a short description of the idea, why it will work, and what it would take to make it work.

"I would encourage anyone who has an idea they think might be marketable, to take part," Shakula said.

Due to the high demand of this new and upcoming event, it has recently been decided it should take place in March, rather than the December date originally set for it. Applications for the competition will be accepted up until the first week of March 2011.

Having been contacted by people in Florida and California, Nikolovski believes all of the attention the competition is receiving is due in part to the efforts being made to advertise and promote the event not only at PUC, but nationwide. He also has high hopes the competition would become an annual event.

"I am hoping that we can get students excited about their ideas," Nikolovski said.

Veterans

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co-chair of the search advisory committee, said. "What we do over the coming months will have an impact on our campus for years to come."

Roach said an organization as big and complex as PUC represents a lot of responsibility for a chancellor. He feels this is why it is important the committee broadly represent the community of PUC in order to find a chancellor that best represents PUC's interest.

Roach explained that to find qualified applicants, the search committee will be working with an executive search firm.

According to Mukerjea, the executive search firm is hired through West Lafayette's Human Resource department, but as of right now, a firm has not been hired. Mukerjea stated he expects a firm to be hired no later than Nov. 10.

Roach said the role of the executive search firm is to nationally scour the academic world to recruit qualified individuals. From these recruits, it is the job of the search advisory committee to select qualified candidates for the president.

Mukerjea feels that Cohen has done excellent work in the 10 years he has been chancellor at PUC. Because of this, Mukerjea said it will require a very talented individual to succeed Cohen.

"It will be hard to replace Chancellor Cohen, who has brought a wonderful vision to Purdue Calumet and directed the implementation of that vision

in many ways, including the construction," Rowan said.

Rowan said he is honored to be appointed as co-chair by President Córdova. He knows many of the individuals on the search committee and he is extremely pleased with the membership.

Rowan has served on search committees in the past, but this is his first time serving on a search committee looking for a new chancellor. From his previous experience he said that being on a search committee afforded him the opportunity to meet interesting individuals in the academic world. Rowan said it is not uncommon to have many qualified applicants eligible for the job, and it is a disappointment that the committee can only hire one of the applicants.

Rowan said there are obvious qualities they will be looking for in a new chancellor, and these qualities consist of strong leadership, vision and integrity. The first meeting for the search committee will be on Nov. 8, and the specifics of how this committee will advance will be decided once the search committee begins meeting.

"Ultimately, I think we want to find someone who understands who we are, what we do, and in general what our culture is like," Rowan said.

When Rowan was asked what challenges he thinks the committee will face, he responded that he does not see it as challenges they will face, but opportunities they will encounter.

Veterans

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For Garner and his fellow soldiers, being a Marine was not only a job, but a lifestyle. He said although many people are quick to judge those who serve, saying they are "brainwashed" or "crazy," service men and women, especially those who have been in combat zones, are not anything of the sort, they just forget.

Garner said what is accepted, and expected, on a Marine base would definitely not be accepted in a normal setting here at home. He said for this reason, soldiers have to get used to interacting with people and functioning in society again, but at the same time, society has to get used to them as well.

The Student Veterans of America, an organization dedicated to "helping yesterday's warriors become today's scholars and tomorrow's leaders," has a Military to College Guide for student veterans. In the section of this guide that discusses making the transition to college, it tells veterans to recognize others may not agree with them or understand their service in the military.

"You're just different," Garner said, adding that different is not synonymous with something bad. "It doesn't just go away, but it's all about how you handle it and what you make of it."

To elaborate on this, Garner refers to his own situation saying he chose to fill "the gap" with school, and the work ethic he acquired from the Marines will now carry over into his student life.

Student veterans such as Garner might also find support with the Veterans Enlisted Student Association, a PUC group open to any student who supports veterans, any former service members and their families. VESA strives to help all veterans, regardless of what branch of the military they served in, adapt and be successful while in college.

Garner said he is not giving Veterans Day too much thought, adding he does not need a day to recollect what himself and other soldiers have done because he does so every day. But with news reports about the war being few and far between, and with the majority of the country opposing the war, Garner said it is important to remember soldiers do not start wars.

"People wonder why we're still fighting, and we wonder sometimes too," Garner said. "But it's about knowing there are people who need help. We volunteer to be the good guy, and as weird as it may sound, sometimes it takes a good guy to be the bad guy."

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MEGAMIND

NOT VERY MEMORABLE

Dune Lorenz
Entertainment Editor

“Megamind” is a movie that takes a rather adult-oriented theme and dumbs it down with a toy squeaky hammer. Instead of exploring the depths of the crazed psyches of superheroes and villains, the audience is left watching their insecurities turned into potentially laugh-worthy dilemmas, like heroes coming to mid-life crisis’s and villains wanting to love, despite terrorizing the town of their target lover. Unfortunately, none of the humor is very memorable.

The film tells the story of Megamind (Will Ferrell) and his arch-nemesis Metro Man (Brad Pitt), both having come from a Superman-esque back-story of their neighboring home planets being destroyed as babies, leaving them sent to Earth. Except Metro Man fell into a glorious mansion, while Megamind landed in a prison. Cue the aftermath of zany antics.

The theme focuses heavily on jumping out of social constraints, mostly with the message of choosing between what you are as opposed to it being set in stone. Even superheroes need a vacation, and yes, even villains get sick of being the bad guy.

“Megamind” plays off what is often the funniest moments of superhero comics - the witty back-and-forth banter between enemies with so much history they are as good as friends. The whole film feels like an extended version of the “Phineas and Ferb” cartoon’s antics of Dr. Doofenshmirtz versus Perry the Platypus children love so much. While this works great for a film that satires the funnier aspects of comics and cartoons and it gets its fair share of giggles from the audience, it just falls short of being very quotable.

This is, in part, due to it falling into the stereotypical cookie-cutter scheme most childrens’ movies seem to be following. Comparing movies like “Toy Story” and “Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs” feels more like looking at economic trends than entertainment, and the jokes and performances are the only things setting them apart. “Megamind” fails at competing with the aforementioned films as it just comes off as too bland, not stepping far enough away from the cookie-cutter to show much individuality.

It is a proper step in the right direction for “Dreamworks Animation,” though, and if this was a

competition solely between their most recent films, “Megamind” would certainly be the most memorable. Thankfully for the audience, “Shrek Forever After” and “Monsters vs. Aliens” are not the only family films released in the last few years. “Megamind” receives a 6 out of 10.



‘Due Date’ misses the mark

Bill Koester
Asst. Sports Editor

Previously known more as an underground comic and bit player in small roles, Zach Galifianakis had his break-out role in last year’s hit comedy “The Hangover.” Now, he is a popular movie star, scoring lead roles in several films and making headlines for allegedly smoking marijuana live on “Real Time with Bill Maher.”

At the same time Galifianakis’ star was rising, Robert Downey Jr., was making an impressive Hollywood comeback with huge box office hits in “Sherlock Holmes” and the “Iron Man” series, and even scored an Oscar nomination for “Tropic Thunder.”

Putting these two actors together would seem like a great idea, at least on the studio’s balance sheets. Even in such a formulaic road trip story, two of the most popular stars in film today cannot fail, right?



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Well, the resulting picture is “Due Date,” and it is merely an adequate comedy. While it will likely attract a moderate audience over a weekend or two, it is really nothing special.

In the film, Downey plays Peter Highman, a tightly wound architect looking to get home to Los Angeles to be with his pregnant wife Sarah (Michelle Monaghan). Unfortunately for him, he crosses paths with Ethan (Zach Galifianakis), an eccentric stoner and aspiring actor traveling with his bulldog.

A misunderstanding on an airplane lands both of them on the no-fly list. With little choice if he wants to get home to see his baby born, Peter reluctantly hitches a ride with Ethan from Atlanta to L.A.

Galifianakis, essentially reprising his role from “The Hangover” as an unassuming dimwit, gets most of the laughs in the movie. His strange and faulty one-liners and general

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SEEING SAW

Brian Lynch
Asst. Entertainment Editor

“Saw 3D” is like an awkward teenage boy on his first date, trying so hard to be something he is not that his actual clever nature is nearly masked by insincerity.

The biggest flaw with the seventh film in the series is it succumbed to the peer pressure of the 3D craze. Only a few scenes even take advantage of the technology, and then it is only to gross out—rather than scare—the audience. “My Bloody Valentine” and “The Final Destination” already proved 3D allows the audience to feel like blood, vehicles and weapons are coming at them. “Saw 3D” may, pound-for-pound, have the largest quantity of mutilated flesh

lying through the theatre, but it fails to do anything inventive.

Luckily, especially for fans of the “Saw” franchise, the story manages to crawl out from under the gory display and stand on its own. Writers Patrick Melton and Marcus Dunstan have been with the series since the fourth installment and stay true not only to the character of Jigsaw (Tobin Bell), but his plotting widow, Jill (Betsy Russell), and good-detective-turned-bad, Hoffman (Costas Mandylor).

“Saw 3D” ties up the loose ends of Jigsaw’s many puzzles, including who worked behind the scenes, while exploring another unsympathetic character, Bobby (Sean Patrick Flanery), a scammer making money by selling a tale of his rebirth through a Jigsaw trap.

Bobby, on a book-signing and Jigsaw support group tour, quickly becomes the focal point of the story. He is captured and must attempt to rescue his wife (Gina Holden) and “handlers” from a series of traps that unfold his weaknesses as well as a lot of skin. By the time Bobby is trying to save his obnoxious publicist (Naomi Snieckus) from a very fitting fate, it is hard to hope she lives.

In fact, there is not a sympathetic character in this entire film, which seems somehow appropriate. Dr. Gordon (Cary Elwes), who escaped in the first film by cutting off his own foot with a saw, is now embittered and dark. Even Detective Gibson (Chad Donella), certainly meant to be the protagonist of the film, would seem menacing if he was just a bit smarter.



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The “Saw” franchise is one of the only horror series that manages to follow its own rules. While “Nightmare on Elm Street” and “Halloween” became campier and less plausible with each passing sequel, “Saw” takes itself seriously throughout and deserves to do so.

When we see how traps in previous films were set, the details remain true to what we have seen in previous films. Flash backs to previous films include footage through another set of eyes, but never implausible aspects of elaborate setups.

While we sometimes see a new perspective on a trap, there

are no cheats or tricks. Saw has been unique, annually since 2004, in sticking by the idea that Jigsaw does not kill, he gives people choices. And in “Saw 3D,” even the first few minutes reveal a three-person trap with a choice, and location, which stays with the times.

Suspenseful from beginning to end, “Saw 3D” takes its time to answer many questions in the minds of “Saw” fans, but not every last one. While all advertising bills “Saw 3D” as “The Final Chapter,” there is certainly a chance next fall will see “Saw 8: The Epilogue.” Hopefully, it will not be in 3D.

“Saw 3D” receives an 8 of 10.

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obliviousness to how dumb he truly is are quite amusing.

At least sometimes they are. Other times, it just gets very annoying and even appalling at how socially inept his character really is. Eventually, the viewer gets to the point where they want to see Downey destroy him.

In fact, it often seems like Downey is so close to doing just that. He does not have very good chemistry with Galifianakis, and instead just seems fed up with his antics from the very first scene. During the few parts where the characters are supposed to be forgiving each other and striking up a real friendship, it is impossible to believe any of the sentiment.

As a whole, the movie is marginally funny, moving at a brisk pace and never boring the audience. Still, it is not as good as one would think with a great actor like Downey or after seeing Galifianakis steal the show in "The Hangover."

Fittingly, the film contains several references to the TV show "Two and a Half Men." Like the show, "Due Date" is marginally funny enough to pass the time when there is nothing else to do. If someone is looking for a great, laugh-out-loud comedy, though, they should keep looking.

"Due Date" receives a 6 out of 10.

'Daily Show' rally an understated affair

Bill Koester
Asst. Sports Editor

When Jon Stewart and Stephen Colbert announced they were holding a rally in Washington, D.C., speculation ran rampant online and in the media. Was it going to be serious, or just a big comedy show? Who was going to come? What exactly was going to happen at the rally?

All these questions were answered on Oct. 30, when the Rally to Restore Sanity and/or Fear was held at the National Mall. Over 200,000 people attended, with additional viewers watching at home and at satellite rallies around the country.

At times, it seemed like an outdoor concert, with performances by The Roots, John Legend, Kid Rock, Sheryl Crow and Tony Bennett, to name a few. The most notable musical act was an unlikely duel between Yusuf Islam performing "Peace Train" and Ozzy Osbourne performing "Crazy Train."

For the comedy portion, Stewart debated and argued with Colbert's right-wing pundit persona, while correspondents from "The Daily Show" interacted with the crowd. There were also appearances from celebrities such as Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Father Guido Sarducci, Adam Savage, Jamie Hyneman from Discovery



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Channel's "Mythbusters" and even R2-D2.

The best bit had Stewart award medals of reasonableness, a parody of part of Fox News' Glenn Beck's Restoring Honor Rally in August. Recipients included Detroit Tigers pitcher Armando

medals to certain media figures in absentia.

The rally was more on the side of comedy than politics, but Stewart did get serious in the final moments. In a long speech, he chastised the media for focusing on only the most extreme elements of the political spectrum. He said the majority of Americans are decent people, regardless of their political stance.

Such a statement came as a surprise to the crowd, who judging by their signs, were expecting a biting rebuttal to the tea party movement. Instead, Stewart decried people to not hate their enemies and return to reasonable debate. Ironically, coverage of the rally was relatively minimal in the mainstream media, likely because its message did not fit the very media model Stewart condemned.

So now the question is: Was the Rally to Restore Sanity and/or Fear a success? It depends on how it is looked at.

Politically, it probably will not change anything. Comically, parts of it were amusing, but others felt overblown, like a typical variety special more focused on being bigger and better than just doing a quality show. As an event, 200,000 plus is impressive, and the attendees seemed to have a good time, but the best party of the year is still the Blackhawks' Stanley Cup parade. Sorry, Stewart.

The musical and moving Nocturnes

Michelle Mullins
Staff Writer

Not every renowned author can strike gold with each novella or short story they create. This is the issue with Kazuo Ishiguro's "Nocturnes: Five Stories of Music and Nightfall." It is innocent and creative by showing, while all in first person, how music impacts five lives in both negative and positive cases, but becomes rough around the edges when it comes to connecting with an everyday reader.

"Crooner," the first short story of the novel, takes place in Venice, Italy and consists of a young Polish musician who runs into an American singer who happens to be an idol of his. He is soon convinced to join this man in an attempt to impress his own wife. This whole situation seems too amazing to proceed as easily as planned and ends up doing exactly that.

The second story "Come Rain or Come Shine" deals with an English teacher visiting his old college friends in London, England. Little does he know he is walking into a couple on the verge of breaking up and is being forced to solve their problems, with about two days to do it.

"Malvern Hills" is the third short story and stars a young guitarist who leaves London, England after a failed attempt of joining a band. He proceeds to stay

with his sister and her husband in the Malvern countryside and gets a job at their café. Along the way he meets a Swiss couple who allow him to see a new side of his musical talent.

"Nocturne" begins with a saxophonist in the Beverly Hills hotel in California after facial plastic surgery. His neighbor happens to be a character from a previous story and they embark on a strange journey involving awards and yummy roasted turkey.

"Cellists," the last story, involves a Hungarian cellist who meets a fellow cellist who is not all she is marked up to be.

Though Ishiguro seems to have a lot of work on his hands, he deals with it efficiently and gives the characters depth. He does in 30 pages what some authors cannot do in 200 by adding back story and feeling to every character. He even goes from the present to the past in "Cellists" and does it without breaking a sweat or creating any plot holes. Ishiguro's descriptive eye shined bright in every single story, allowing the reader to feel like they were seeing everything through the narrator's eyes. One example comes from "Malvern Hills" when the main character sees two people standing in front of the sunset and their faces are barely visible, then when they step closer and allow the sun to hit their faces he can make out who they are. He managed not to overpower the reader with too

many descriptive details, avoiding mundane descriptions of what every blade of grass looked like or what every color in the sky portrayed.

Being realistic is not the flaw of this novel, as it falls short in its clarity, not its realism. In "Malvern Hills" it feels like the reader had to stop and pull out a map to understand exactly where the story is taking place. Speaking about places like Herefordshire, Table Hill, End Hill and Worcester got confusing, but he did manage to take the best option—getting the details out of the way sooner rather than later to avoid confusing the reader throughout the story.

Seeing past the flaws of this collection is easy enough since it never seemed to drag. After the first story, the reader quickly becomes addicted, reading to see how all of these stories will tie together. Each story has a tone of desperation hovering about it each person has revelations of being understood and heard. Though the reasons behind their destined goal may seem clever or ill-spirited, they all want to make an impact somehow. Some had to be dragged around and pulled out of their shells to understand how to move forward, but in the end they all had a lesson learned.

Ishiguro's extra spice of detail and realism make this piece of work an addictive read, even if it might not grab the casual reader's attention.

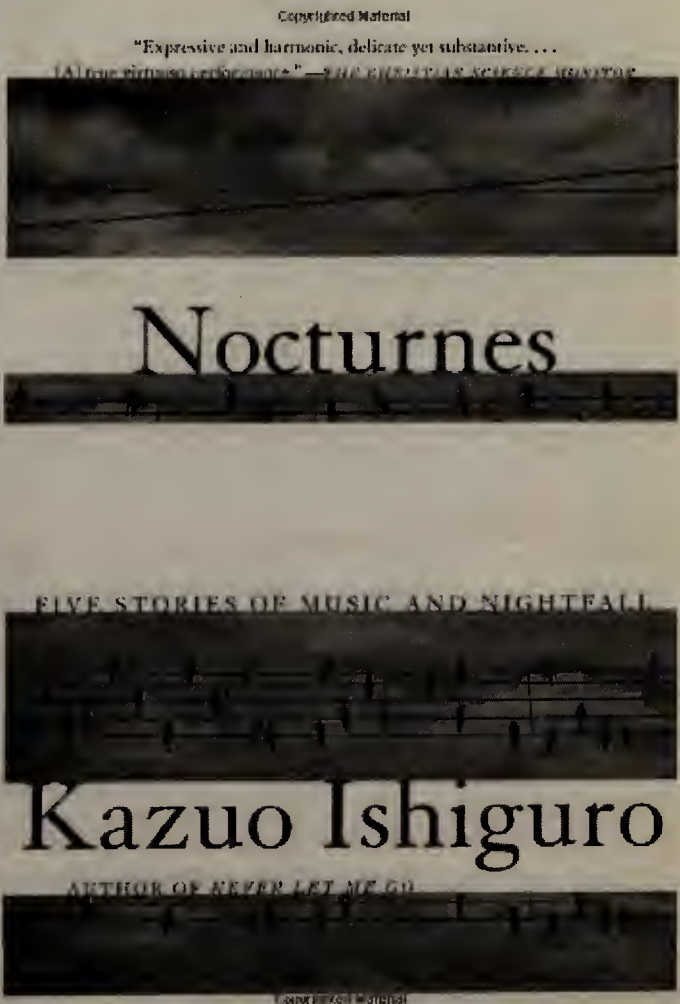


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"Nocturnes: Fives Stories of Music and Nightfall" receives an 8 out of 10.

Free candy apples

Chancellor's Reading Circle



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Many students gathered in the SUL, for the free candied apples that the office of Student Activities provided for everyone to enjoy.



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Amber Schuler reading a passage from the "The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian" book.

World on a string



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A group of seniors the Just for Fun Ukulele Strummers perform one of their many 'gigs' at PUC at the World on a String celebration.



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The Indiana Ballet Theatre Northwest, non-profit school and performing company, - "We are dedicated to give the community exposure to the world of dance through performance."



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Vincent Banks, Wirt Emerson School drama major student, performs a monologue "Power of the Web" from "Children of the Earth."

Rack em' up



Alisha Daniels watches intently as Don Dixon sets up for his next shot.

Kayla Greenwell
Chronicle Correspondent

The intramural 8-ball group met in the game room to play some pool. At one table, Don Dixon, a senior mathematics major, played Alisha Daniels, a freshman business entrepreneurship major. The person who won the most

games out of three would be declared the winner.

On Nov. 3, Daniels broke well and got off to a good start by sinking the first solid ball. After that, the game really began. Dixon started off with a good lead, but nearing the end of the first game he hit the 8-ball trying to get past a blocked shot, costing him the game.

After a somewhat upsetting loss, Dixon won the second and third game by staying away from the dangerous 8-ball and going for open shots.

Dixon and Daniels feel with pool, like any sport, strategy can only go so far before luck takes over.

"If you take yourself too seriously, you're going to mess yourself up," Dixon said.

Dixon has been playing for years, but only been played in intramurals for the last two seasons, while Daniels started this year. For being a rookie, Daniels kept pace, with every game won by a few balls here and there.

Daniels said for her, patience was a key strategy and all a player can do is go for the best shot, hoping it will work out.

Dixon and Daniels played closely, but in the end Dixon came out the victor. After the games, Daniels racked the balls up again and asked if he wanted to go another round just for practice.

"People should just have fun with this, it is a fun game," Daniels said.

BIG comebacks



Patrick Robinson, receiver from Team Name, runs to the end zone.

Julie Sipek
Sports Reporter

Bieber Fever and Island Limin, two unassuming teams in PUC intramural flag football, put on quite a show as they battled it out last Wednesday in the Fitness Center.

Neither Bieber Fever nor Island Limin's records are where they would like them to be, which had both pushing for this win.

It seemed as though it was going to be a slow night when no one scored for the first five and a half minutes. Then, Bieber Fever's quarterback Chris Dravet ran the ball in for the first touchdown of the game and got the offense going. Bieber Fever scored again two minutes later, which put the team up 14-0 at the half.

"I thought we were going to win," freshman Ben Wright of Bieber Fever said. "The game was

going pretty good for us at the beginning."

The second half began much like the first with no offensive action for the first five minutes. Then Bieber Fever scored again, increasing their lead to 21-0 and leaving Island Limin only five minutes to put some kind of offense together.

"We needed to focus on the game and play defense," freshman Brittany Taylor of Island Limin said.

Island Limin scored its first touchdown on the next possession and that little spark was all the offense needed to get going. The team scored two more unanswered touchdowns to tie the game with 47 seconds left.

"We started making smarter passes," Taylor said.

Island Limin did not stop at 21. After the offense tied it up, the defense stepped in and returned an interception for another touchdown. However, Bieber Fever refused to go down without a fight.

On the very next possession, Dravet threw a long touchdown pass and the game was tied yet again with only 22 seconds left in regulation.

Island Limin killed some time and Taylor ran the ball in and regained the lead for her team with just six seconds to spare. In the end, Island Limin came away with the game. No one but Island Limin members would have predicted this after seeing the start of the game.

"We believed in ourselves and played hard," Taylor said.

When asked about what happened to his team in the second half, Wright said they "fell apart mentally."

A come-from-behind victory for one team spells heartbreak for the other, as Bieber Fever hopes to replicate the offensive prowess of last week in the next competition. They will again be working toward a long overdue win.

Volleyball

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to go into next season being more prepared and more focused" Frebis said.

"This offseason will be great because we already have that bonding experience and now we'll get to focus mainly on improving our skills" Yoder shared.

Will we see more wins next season? Probably. Will there be more great memories to add on? Definitely. Will some of the volleyball players be bench-pressing 400 pounds next year? Unlikely.

One thing is for sure, the ladies are primed and ready to make a bigger splash in CCAC action next year, with an



Maria Frebis

entirely different approach and a newfound sense of veteran experience under their belts.



Catherine Yoder

More inspiring than that, though, is even with a season full of losses, there was something to gain.

Intramural standings

Flag Football - Week 6

N.F.F.C. (North)					A.F.F.C. (West)				
Team	W	L	PF	PA	Team	W	L	PF	PA
"Why So Serious"	6	0	359	189	Final Four	5	1	322	259
Dirty Sloths	6	0	331	161	PUC Gym Rats	2	4	266	364
Dynasty	4	2	336	231	Captain Kurt	3	3	224	199
Highland	3	3	294	287	PUC Bears	1	5	86	205
Island Limin	1	5	91	196	Ballz Deep	2	4	266	280

N.F.F.C. (East)					A.F.F.C. (South)				
Team	W	L	PF	PA	Team	W	L	PF	PA
Hall of Famers	3	3	287	248	119th St. Boyz	6	0	301	196
Average Joe's	2	4	199	259	Showtime	3	3	232	249
Pink Snuffle Bunnies	2	4	224	254	Team Hartog	2	4	252	245
Bieber Fever	0	6	147	294	Team Name	2	4	217	280

Floor Hockey - Final

Team	W	L
Team America	4	0
Team Dougie	2	2
Nation of Domination	2	2
PUC Blackhawks	0	4

Volleyball - Week 6

South			North		
Team	W	L	Team	W	L
Angels of Glory	6	0	Scrubs	6	0
Team United	6	0	Gentlemen	6	0
Spiked Punch	5	1	Cereal Killazs	5	1
Game Over	4	2	Kiss My Pass	5	1
Oriental Blizzard	3	3	Bump, Set, Spike	3	3
PUC Spikers	1	5	Knockouts	2	4
Spykers	1	5	Team Extreme	1	5
Rogue	2	4	Set To Kill	1	5
Spike Unlimited	1	5	Rainbow Balls	1	5
Team Focus	1	5	Big Thunder	0	6

Basketball

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Stephaine Beck led all scorers in the "Tip-Off Classic" with 62 points in two games on November 5th and 6th.

Chronicle photo by Lulu Zhao

Bradford and sophomore Michael Patton joined Hudson in double-digits, as each dropped 10 points.

Despite many surges by IUN, the men calmed the storm each time including a stretch of three

minutes when Hudson scored seven straight points to send IUN and their last rally packing.

"I'm just trying to do what my team needs me to do, and at that point I needed to score buckets,"

sophomore Jordan Champion said, who finished third in the CCAC with his 2.6 treys per game in the 2009-10 season and shot 2-8 from behind the arc in last Friday's contest.

"We just got to keep him shooting," Assistant Coach Johnny Ryan said. "Once he sets his feet he is money, but often times he rushes his shot because he is so wide open."

In the weekend wrap up against Taylor University, the men could not find the Friday magic as they fell 64-59 as Taylor consistently attacked with the three ball.

Despite a late rally by PUC, cutting a nine point lead by two with under a minute left, their efforts were futile to drop their record to 1-1 on the season.

"This team has a no quit attitude, they have character, and they have resolve," Coach Dan Voudrie said.

Hudson led the men in scoring for the second straight day with 11 points to go along with five rebounds. Sophomore Andrew Anderson added 10 points and two blocks, while Champion found his outside stroke on his way to nine points and three makes from the outside.

Both the men and women will be back in action in a home double-header Tuesday, Nov. 9 starting at 5 p.m.

Floor hockey season in the books



Chronicle Photo by Diamond Johnson

Emad Alhusseini, from Nation of Domination, stealing the puck from Andrea David, from PUC Blackhawks

Bill Koester
Asst. Sports Editor

Don't want to wait until spring for hockey playoff action? PUC floor hockey playoffs are just around the corner.

The fourth and final week of the regular season saw a night of rematches from week one. Nation of Domination took on PUC Blackhawks, while Team Dougie sought revenge against Team America.

In the first game of the evening, PUC Blackhawks kept things close, trailing Nation of Domination 3-2 after one period. They brought the score to 4-3 midway through the second before Nation of Domination pulled away to an eventual 8-3 victory.

Despite the loss, the Blackhawks' spirits were still high afterward. They played much better than the first three weeks, and with only four players and no substitutes.

"We had to play more aggressively because it was just the four of us," Frank Gonzalez of the Blackhawks said. "It felt really good to win."

Feelings were much the same on Nation of Domination. After winning in week one, the team hit a little skid, losing back-to-back games.

"We felt bad after losing two straight," Emad Al Husseini of Nation of Domination said. "We went for a strong finish."

Closing out the regular season with a win pumped up Nation of Domination for the playoffs. Cries of "We will get Team Dougie!" filled the gym, referring to the team that beat them in an 11-round shootout in week two.

The second game of the night featured undefeated Team America taking on Team Dougie,

whose only previous loss of the season came against the same opponents in week one.

It was Team Dougie's best chance to exact payback, as a lack of subs forced Team America to play the same players throughout the whole game. They even lacked normal goalie Mike Nitti, forcing John DiMonte to stand in net.

The game was a close and furious contest on both ends. The tension even boiled over into a minor scuffle between two players after the second period, though both sides admitted the sparring was purely in fun.

The first period was a blow-for-blow battle ending with Team America ahead 3-2. They added another goal to increase their lead 4-2.

In the third, Team America managed to notch one more goal. Team Dougie scored twice to bring the score to 5-4, but in the end fell short of avenging their only loss. Even in defeat, though, they were quick to point out the positives.

"This game went a lot better for us than the first one," Team Dougie's Alex Shmagranoff said.

The mood on Team America, meanwhile, is one of complete confidence going into the playoffs. Not only did they finish the regular season undefeated, but they did it with only half their team in the finale.

"Our guys did excellent," DiMonte said. "Plus, next time Mike will be back, so we should be good."

Like the NHL, the playoff seeds are assigned based on points. The matchups will be announced this week while everyone enjoys a much-needed bye week. The teams return to the floor Nov. 16 to determine who gets to play in the finals and who gets to watch.

Fall Frolic is fun for all

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The morning of Nov. 7 was cold, one of those mornings that let you know loud and clear that winter is coming. For a crowd of athletes and spectators in Hammond, however, it was a beautiful morning for one last outdoor activity before the snow falls.

Runners from all over the area took part in PUC's annual Fall Frolic. While New York City held its marathon, the university and the surrounding area were alive with its own mini-marathon.

A few hundred runners gathered in front of the Fitness Center on the cold autumn morning. Participants varied across all age groups from middle-aged and older, to young adult PUC students and young kids, as well as some parents pushing their little ones along in strollers. A few even donned costumes of superheroes, such as the Flash and Spider-Man.

The race began around 9 a.m. and took the runners up and down 173rd Street and its adjacent streets, covering a total distance of four miles.

As the clock passed the 20-minute mark, the leaders of the race were within sight of the finish line outside the Fitness Center. With his opponents only seconds behind him, Eric Wallor of Chicago fired ahead for a first-place finish of 20:54.3.



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Sydney Stazinsky, a 6-year-old from Calumet Striders, is the youngest runner to participate in 2010 Fall Frolic.

Even with his energy depleted, Wallor was quite excited with his victory.

"This is something I always wanted to do," Wallor said. "I found out running is something I was really good at. I'm happy to have won."

Wallor's strategy to win was to conserve his energy, but he did not anticipate such a close battle with the top runners in the race.

"I was a little faster than I wanted," Wallor said. "Plus, I really went for the kill at the last half-mile."

After the race was over, the results and times for all the runners were posted in the gym. There was also a breakfast of

bananas and power bars included with entry.

The mood in the gym was high for all those who ran. Even if they had not placed in the top tier, many were still happy to achieve their personal goals, and some were even surprised they finished the race.

"I feel good," Martin Lopez said, a PUC student. "I thought I did worse than I actually did."

Now that the Fall Frolic is finished, the next running event at PUC will be the Spring Fling. Any aspiring runner who looks to participate will have the whole winter to get in shape and run with the crowds.

Tipping things off

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Sports Editor

Billed as the annual "Tip-off Classic," the first weekend of PUC men's and women's basketball brought plenty of classic moments.

Sweeping the weekend to start 2-0, the ladies saw huge efforts from junior guard Stephaine Beck who poured in 31 points in consecutive games to lead the women to dominant victories over Ashford University and nationally recognized Taylor University.

A team oriented game was the name of the game for the ladies as they saw double-digit efforts by Tierra Turner and Jennifer Britton as well against Ashford. Turner turned in her first double-double of the year and the sixth of her young career with 17 points and 10 boards. She also tallied four steals on the defensive end of the floor. Britton dropped 12 points and three assists for the ladies.

In the weekend wrap up with an 85-73 win against Taylor as once again the team rode a huge performance by Beck and her 31 point effort.

"I didn't have the team on my back, they had my back," Beck said emphatically. "They gave me the ball in the right places at the right time and I delivered for them and played my role."



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Michael Patton skies above two Indiana University Northwest Players on November 5, 2010.

"She really did [carry the team] today," Coach Tom Megyesi said, but admitted, "We have many other threats," mentioning Britton and sophomore guard Alex Starr among others.

In similar fashion, the men took care of business in their season opener against region rival Indiana University Northwest on Nov. 5. PUC sent IUN to 0-3 start

while picking up their first win in an 81-70 victory.

The Redhawks of IUN could not find an answer for the balanced attack of PUC as three players scored in double figures led by a 24 point, 11 rebound efforts by senior forward Neal Hudson. Freshman Brandon

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Lesson Learned

V-ball team gains experience in first season

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Life is full of lessons, but some lessons can be tougher than others. For the PUC women's volleyball team, in their first season over a decade, it was nothing short of that.

In their final matchup of the season, the ladies went head to head with the Judson University Eagles. From the get go, things looked positive as the team stuck together and lost a nail-biter in the first set. Once Judson got momentum on their side, there was no stopping them as they went on to win 3-0 in their final game of the season as well.

"We came out playing so good and I thought we were going to end the season with a W," sophomore Maria Frebis said. "We all wished we could've ended the season with a win, but we still played hard."

While Judson finished strong in their final game, PUC has something to be proud of in being the first volleyball team in over a

decade to complete a full season and stay competitive throughout.

Though a 2-19 overall (1-10 CCAC) record might not be easy on the eyes, witnessing the team grow over the season was a sight in itself.

"I'd have to say my best memories would be that I made some really great friends and our bus rides were always pretty interesting," junior Catherine Yoder said.

Frebis agreed. "There are so many great memories from the season. Some of the games I may not remember but the good times we had I will never forget," she said.

Not everything is all smiles and sunshine however. Heading into this offseason, the team looks to take advantage of their opportunity and hit the gym in preparation for their first spring season. Yes, there are two seasons for the volleyball team.

"Heading into the offseason I am ready to get stronger and be able to improve my game. I want

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